

“Blood Diamond: The Murder of Ebe Lynch” at Lewes, Del.’s Zwaanendael Museum on April 21, 2018

(DOVER, Del.—April 12, 2018)—On Saturday, April 21, 2018 at 2 p.m., the [Zwaanendael Museum](#), located at 102 Kings Highway in Lewes, Del., will present **“Mysteries at the Museum: ‘Blood Diamond: The Murder of Ebe Lynch.’ ”** Created by Zwaanendael Museum staff, this theatrical murder-mystery is based on an actual incident that took place on a hot summer night in 1916 on Second Street in Lewes. During that incident, shots were fired and Ebe Lynch, a prominent local postmaster and president of the Lewes baseball team, was found dead. As part of the play, museum visitors will serve as detectives, meeting suspects and evaluating clues to determine who committed this heinous crime. Guests of all ages will enjoy participating in this historical whodunit.



“Blood Diamond: The Murder of Ebe Lynch” will be presented on the museum’s 2nd floor (entry via staircase; no elevator). Admission is free but, due to space restrictions, reservations are required by calling 302-645-1148 no later than April 20, 2018.

The Zwaanendael Museum was built in 1931 to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the state’s first European colony, Swanendael, established by the Dutch along Hoorn Kill (present-day Lewes-Rehoboth Canal) in 1631. Designed by E. William Martin (architect of Legislative Hall and the Hall of Records in Dover), the museum is modeled after the town hall in Hoorn, the Netherlands, and features a stepped facade gable with carved stonework and decorated shutters. The museum’s exhibits and presentations provide a showcase for Lewes-area maritime, military and social history.



Zwaanendael Museum

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